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CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
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INCLUSION OF MEDICINES IN DRUG PRICE CONTROL ORDER
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a): whether the medicines Salbutamol and Oiclofenace have not been included in Drug Price Control Order,

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to include medicines of mass consumption in the Drug Price Control Order?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS (K. RAHMAN KHAN)

(a) : The bulk drug Salbutamol has been included in the First Schedule of the Drugs (Prices Control) Order,1995 (DPCO,95). There is no drug in the name of Oiclofenace.
(b) : Does not arise in view of (a) as above.

(c) : Extent of usage of drug is one of the criteria to identify the drugs for price control, as per the `Modification in Drug Policy, 1986`, announced in September,1994. DPCO,95 is based on this policy.